

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 25-30 as follows:

A saline glycerol solution (100 ml) was prepared including glycerol (10 ml) and NaCl ( $680 \pm 2$  mg) in water (to a final volume of 100 ml). DPPC (dipalmitoyl phosphatidyl choline) (40.0 mg), ~~MPEG500~~ MPEG5000 DPPE (dipalmitoyl phosphatidyl ethanolamine) (30.0 mg), and DPPA (4.5 mg) were mixed with propylene glycol (10 ml) in a 100 ml volumetric flask, which was placed in a hot water bath (70°C) and sonicated for 15 minutes until the solution cleared. The saline/glycerol solution was then added to bring the mixture to final volume of 100 ml, and the suspension was mixed well. The suspension (1.6 ml) was transferred into a 2 ml borosilicate glass vial. The headspace was purged with perfluoropropane gas, and the vial was stoppered and sealed. The stopper was West Gray V 50 lyo 13 mm, 4416/50 elastomeric formulation. The seal was a flip off aluminum seal. The vial containing the lipid suspension was shaken for 45 seconds using the IONOS Ionomix®. After shaking, the suspension became milky white.